

Labor Market Trends

Metropolitan Washington, D.C.

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Unemployment Rates Seasonally Adjusted

	Jan. 2007	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006
Michigan	6.9	7.2	6.8
Alaska	6.4	6.7	7.0
South Carolina	6.4	6.5	6.6
Mississippi	6.2	6.9	7.6
District of Columbia	6.1	6.2	5.9
Kentucky	5.6	5.4	6.0
Massachusetts	5.3	5.2	4.8
Ohio	5.3	5.6	5.5
Oregon	5.2	5.4	5.5
Arkansas	5.1	5.4	5.0
Indiana	5.1	4.8	5.0
Washington	5.1	5.0	4.9
Wisconsin	4.9	4.9	4.7
California	4.8	4.8	5.1
Tennessee	4.8	4.9	5.2
Pennsylvania	4.7	4.7	4.7
Rhode Island	4.7	5.1	5.2
Illinois	4.6	4.1	5.2
Missouri	4.6	4.8	4.7
North Carolina	4.6	4.9	4.7
Georgia	4.5	4.6	4.9
Nevada	4.5	4.3	4.1
Texas	4.5	4.7	5.2
Connecticut	4.4	4.1	4.5
Maine	4.4	4.6	4.5
Minnesota	4.4	4.2	4.2
New York	4.3	4.1	4.8
Arizona	4.2	4.1	4.4
New Jersey	4.2	4.3	4.8
Colorado	4.1	4.0	4.7
Kansas	4.1	4.5	4.5
Vermont	4.0	3.8	3.6
West Virginia	4.0	5.0	4.6
Maryland	3.8	3.9	3.8
New Mexico	3.8	3.8	4.7
Oklahoma	3.8	4.0	3.9
Louisiana	3.7	4.2	4.6
New Hampshire	3.7	3.5	3.4
Delaware	3.4	3.3	3.8
Iowa	3.4	3.5	4.0
Alabama	3.3	3.7	3.6
Florida	3.3	3.3	3.4
South Dakota	3.3	3.2	3.3
North Dakota	3.2	3.2	3.2
Idaho	3.0	3.2	3.7
Nebraska	3.0	2.8	3.1
Virginia	2.8	2.9	3.0
Montana	2.7	2.9	3.5
Utah	2.6	2.5	3.4
Wyoming	2.6	3.0	3.0
Hawaii	2.2	2.0	2.4

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, D.C. Department of Employment
Services, Office of Labor Market Research and Information

National Unemployment Rates

The January 2007 national unemployment rate of 5.0 percent (not seasonally adjusted) was up 0.7 percent from the rate in December 2006 and 0.1 percent lower than the rate in January 2006.

The seasonally adjusted national unemployment rate in January 2007 was 4.6 percent; up 0.1 percent from the December 2006 rate and 0.1 percent lower than the January 2006, seasonally adjusted, national unemployment rate.

State Unemployment (Seasonally Adjusted)

In January, the District of Columbia had the fifth highest unemployment rate at 6.1 percent. Michigan recorded the highest jobless rate at 6.9 percent followed by Alaska and South Carolina, at 6.4 percent each, and Mississippi at 6.2 percent. Hawaii posted the lowest unemployment rate, at 2.2 percent, followed by Utah and Wyoming, at 2.6 percent each, Montana, at 2.7 percent, and Virginia, at 2.8 percent. Fifteen additional states recorded rates of 4.0 percent or below including Maryland, at 3.8 percent.

Over the month, unemployment rates were lower in the District of Columbia and 26 states, higher in 18 states, and unchanged in 6 states. The largest rate decreases were in West Virginia (down 1.0 percentage point), Mississippi (down 0.7 percentage point) and Louisiana (down 0.5 percentage point). Illinois registered the largest rate increase (up 0.5 percentage point) followed by Connecticut and Indiana (up 0.3 percentage point each).

Compared to a year earlier, unemployment rates were higher in the District of Columbia and 10 states, lower in 36 states and unchanged in 4 states. The largest over-the-year unemployment rate

State Unemployment

(Seasonally Adjusted) continued

increases were in Massachusetts (up 0.5 percentage point), and Nevada and Vermont (up 0.4 percentage point each). Mississippi (down 1.4 percentage points) recorded the largest over-the-year unemployment rate decrease followed by Louisiana and New Mexico (down 0.9 percentage point each) and Montana and Utah (down 0.8 percentage point each).



Unemployment Rates (Not Seasonally Adjusted)

		Jan. 07	Dec. 06	Jan. 06 a
U.S.A.		5.0	4.3	5.1
Washington, DC MSA		3.4	2.9	3.2
Washington, DC MD		3.4	3.0	3.2
D.C.		6.3	6.2	5.7
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D.C. Ward	1	5.4	5.3	4.9
	2	3.0	3.0	2.8
	3	1.6	1.6	1.5
	4	5.1	5.0	4.6
	5	8.4	8.4	7.7
	6	6.2	6.1	5.6
	7	10.9	10.8	10.0
	8	16.6	16.4	15.3

Unemployment Rates (Seasonally Adjusted)

U.S.A.	4.6	4.5	4.7
D.C.	6.1	6.2	6.0

a: Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year.

District of Columbia's Unemployment Rate

The District of Columbia's seasonally adjusted January 2007 unemployment rate was 6.1 percent, down 0.1 percent from the December 2006 rate. The January 2007 rate was 0.1 percent higher than the rate in January 2006.

The not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate for January 2007 was 6.3 percent; up 0.1 percent from the December 2006 rate and 0.6 percent higher than the rate in January 2006.



District of Columbia's Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

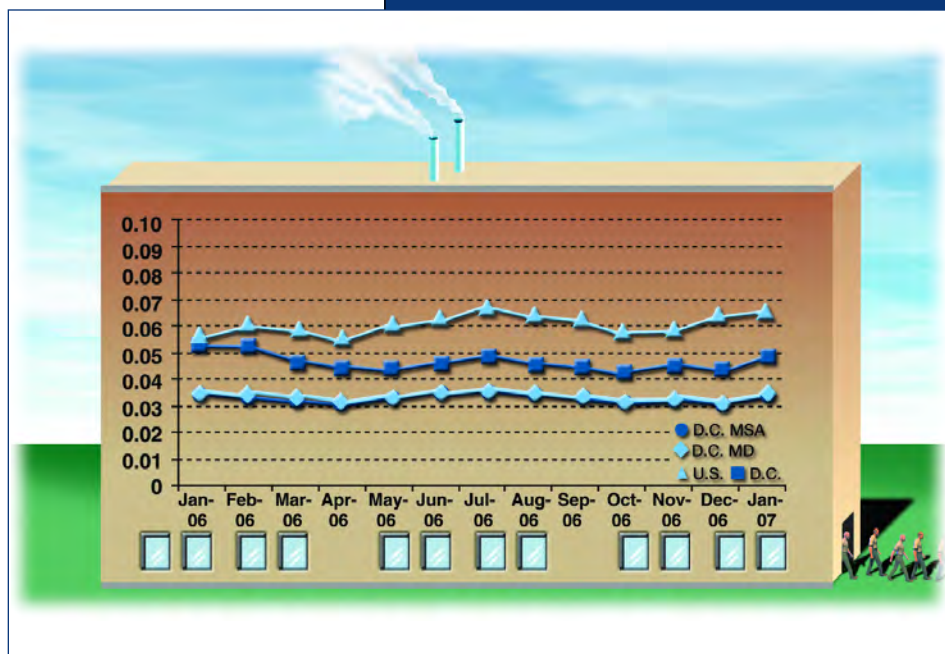
Over the month, the District's civilian labor force decreased by 1,900 to 315,900. A total of 296,100 residents were employed and 19,700 were unemployed in January 2007. A 2,000 decrease in the number of employed residents along with a no change in the number of unemployed residents resulted in the 0.1 percent increase in the not seasonally adjusted unemployment rate.

From January 2006 to January 2007, the District's civilian labor force increased by 5,800 as the number of employed residents increased by 3,800 and the number of unemployed residents increased by 1,900. The District's January 2007 unemployment rate was 0.6 percent higher than the rate in January 2006.

Unemployment Rate

January 2006 - January 2007

Not Seasonally Adjusted



Unemployment Insurance Benefit Statistics

In January 2007, initial claims filed for Unemployment Insurance (UI) in the District of Columbia rose 8.1 percent from the December 2006 level of 1,311 to 1,417. Over the year, UI initial claims were up 2.2 percent from the 1,387 level in January 2006. The January 2007 initial claims for all programs were up from December 2006 by 315 to 1,658 and higher by 218 or 15.1 percent from the January 2006 level of 1,440.

For the all programs total, all other benefit statistics were higher in January 2007 compared to December 2006. Weeks

claimed rose 14.2 percent to 19,449, weeks compensated were up 27.7 percent to 33,480, benefits paid increased by 28.7 percent to \$9,353,252, and the average weekly benefit amount (A.W.B.A.) rose 0.8 percent to \$279.37. First payments were up 36.8 percent to 1,883 and final payments increased 28.2 percent to 913.

Over the year, most other benefit statistics were higher in January 2007 compared to January 2006. Weeks claimed were down 2.7 percent while weeks compensated rose 3.4 percent. Benefits paid increased by 4.1 percent and the average weekly

benefit amount rose 0.7 percent from the \$277.37 January 2006 amount. First payments were up 12.8 percent while final payments were 19.5 percent lower.



Washington Metropolitan Division Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment Rates

The civilian labor force in the Washington Metropolitan Division decreased by 12,200 in January 2007 as employment decreased by 20,700 and the number unemployed increased by 8,500. The unemployment rate in the Washington Metropolitan Division, at 3.4 percent in January, was up 0.4 percent from the rate in December 2006.

Over the last twelve months, the number of employed residents in the Washington Metropolitan Division rose by 45,000. With 6,100 more unemployed division residents, the division's civilian labor force rose by 51,000. The metropolitan division's January 2007 unemployment rate was up 0.2 from the rate in January 2006.

Washington Metropolitan Area Civilian Labor Force Employment and Unemployment Rates

The civilian labor force in the suburban ring of communities surrounding the District of Columbia decreased by 11,500 in January 2007 as employment fell by 23,900 and the number unemployed increased by 12,400. The unemployment rate in the suburban ring, at 3.0 percent in December, was up 0.5 percent from the rate in December 2006.

Over the last twelve months, the number of employed residents in the suburban ring rose by 53,800. With 6,400 more unemployed suburban residents, the suburban civilian labor force rose by 60,100. The suburban ring's January 2007 unemployment rate was up 0.2 percent from the rate in January 2006.

For the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area, the number of persons in the civilian labor force decreased by 13,400 in January 2007. The number of employed residents in the metropolitan area declined by 25,900, while the number of

unemployed residents increased by 12,400. The metropolitan area's unemployment rate at 3.4 percent in January 2007 was up 0.5 percent from the rate in December 2006.

Compared to January 2006, the metropolitan area's civilian labor force rose by 65,900.

Employment increased by 57,600 and unemployment rose by 8,300. The Washington Metropolitan Area's January 2007 unemployment rate was up 0.2 percent from the January 2006 rate of 3.2 percent.

Employment Status for the Civilian Population

District of Columbia, Washington Metropolitan Division and Statistical Area January 2007/a

	Net Change From					
	Jan. 2007	Dec./b 2006	Jan./b 2006	Dec./b 2005	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006
Seasonally Adjusted Washington, D.C.						
Civilian Labor Force	320,200	317,800	315,300	314,100	2,400	4,900
Total Employed	300,500	298,200	296,600	295,200	2,300	3,900
Total Unemployed	19,600	19,600	18,700	18,900	0	900
Unemployment Rate	6.1	6.2	6.0	6.0	-0.1	0.1
Not Seasonally Adjusted Washington, D.C.						
Civilian Labor Force	315,900	317,800	310,100	311,900	-1,900	5,800
Total Employed	296,100	298,100	292,300	293,300	-2,000	3,800
Total Unemployed	19,700	19,700	17,800	18,600	0	1,900
Unemployment Rate	6.3	6.2	5.7	6.0	0.1	0.6
Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Division						
Civilian Labor Force	2,330,500	2,342,700	2,279,500	na	-12,200	51,000
Total Employed	2,251,600	2,272,300	2,206,600	na	-20,700	45,000
Total Unemployed	78,900	70,400	72,800	na	8,500	6,100
Unemployment Rate	3.4	3.0	3.2	na	0.4	0.2
Suburban Ring						
Civilian Labor Force	2,663,400	2,674,900	2,603,300	na	-11,500	60,100
Total Employed	2,583,000	2,606,900	2,529,200	na	-23,900	53,800
Total Unemployed	80,500	68,100	74,100	na	12,400	6,400
Unemployment Rate	3.0	2.5	2.8	na	0.5	0.2
Washington, D.C. MSA						
Civilian Labor Force	2,979,300	2,992,700	2,913,400	na	-13,400	65,900
Total Employed	2,879,100	2,905,000	2,821,500	na	-25,900	57,600
Total Unemployed	100,200	87,800	91,900	na	12,400	8,300
Unemployment Rate	3.4	2.9	3.2	na	0.5	0.2

a: Data may not add to the totals due to independent rounding.

b: Data reflect 2006 benchmark revisions.

na: Not available. Estimates for 2005 based on the 2006 benchmark revisions will not be available until May 2007.

Note: Estimates for the latest year are subject to revision early the following calendar year.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia, Virginia cities of Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Fredericksburg, Manassas, and Manassas Park; the Virginia counties of Arlington, Clarke, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudon, Prince William, Spotsylvania, Stafford, and Warren; the Maryland counties of Calvert, Charles, and Prince Georges; and the West Virginia county of Jefferson.

Estimated Labor Force and Employment for the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes the Washington-Arlington-Alexandria Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg Metropolitan Division which includes the counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland.

SOURCE: Prepared by the Department of Employment Services, Office of Labor Market Research and Information in cooperation with the Virginia Employment Commission, the Maryland Department of Labor, Licensing and Regulation, the West Virginia Bureau of Employment Programs, and the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

District of Columbia Job Growth

The number of District wage and salary jobs decreased by 12,800 in January 2007. The private sector declined by 10,600 jobs and the public sector lost 2,200 jobs. In the private sector,

educational and health services decreased by 4,000 jobs, professional and business services lost 2,100 jobs, leisure and hospitality declined by 1,700 jobs, trade, transportation and

utilities decreased by 900 jobs, other services declined by 700 jobs, financial activities lost 500 jobs, natural resources and construction shed 400 jobs, and information decreased by 300 jobs. Manufacturing was unchanged. In the public sector, the District government lost 1,200 jobs and the federal government shed 1,000 jobs while transportation was unchanged.

In the last twelve months, the District gained a total of 8,500 jobs. The private sector added 9,800 jobs while the public sector lost 1,300 jobs. The private sector growth occurred in professional and business services (up by 6,500 jobs), other services (up by 1,100 jobs), educational and health services (up by 1,000 jobs), natural resources and construction and information (up by 500 jobs each), leisure and hospitality (up by 400 jobs), and trade, transportation and utilities (up by 100 jobs). Losses were noted in manufacturing (down by 200 jobs) and financial activities (down by 100 jobs). In the public sector, transportation gained 400 jobs while the federal government lost 900 jobs and District government shed 800 jobs.

Selected Unemployment Insurance Benefit Statistics

(Regular Programs)
District of Columbia

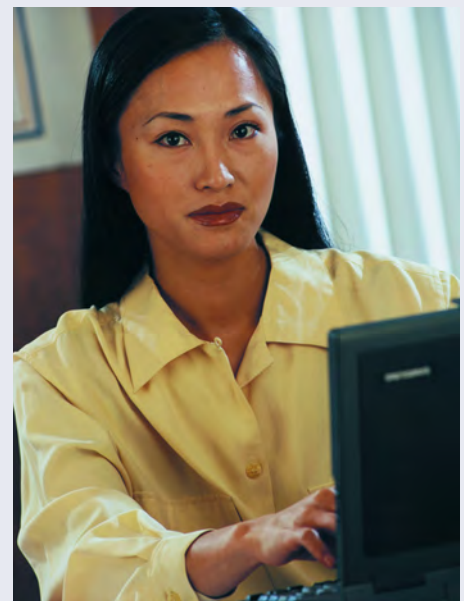
	Jan. 2007	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006	% Change From Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006
State UI Program^a					
Initial Claims	1,417	1,311	1,387	8.1	2.2
Weeks Claimed	18,620	16,485	19,186	13.0	-3.0
Weeks Compensated	32,215	25,280	30,974	27.4	4.0
Benefits Paid	\$8,960,198	\$6,975,179	\$8,524,669	28.5	5.1
A.W.B.A.	\$278.14	\$275.92	\$275.22	0.8	1.1
First Payments	1,721	1,340	1,611	28.4	6.8
Final Payments	882	685	1,099	28.8	-19.7
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Federal Program^b					
Initial Claims	233	27	45	763.0	417.8
Weeks Claimed	668	431	637	55.0	4.9
Weeks Compensated	1,092	816	1,230	33.8	-11.2
Benefits Paid	\$334,183	\$250,996	\$394,993	33.1	-15.4
A.W.B.A.	\$306.03	\$307.59	\$321.13	-0.5	-4.7
First Payments	155	31	53	400.0	192.5
Final Payments	29	27	34	7.4	-14.7
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Ex-Servicepersons Program^c					
Initial Claims	8	5	8	60.0	0.0
Weeks Claimed	161	119	172	35.3	-6.4
Weeks Compensated	173	128	175	35.2	-1.1
Benefits Paid	\$58,871	\$43,991	\$61,145	33.8	-3.7
A.W.B.A.	\$340.29	\$343.68	\$349.40	-1.0	-2.6
First Payments	7	5	6	40.0	16.7
Final Payments	2	0	1	n/a	100.0
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total - All Programs					
Initial Claims	1,658	1,343	1,440	23.5	15.1
Weeks Claimed	19,449	17,035	19,995	14.2	-2.7
Weeks Compensated	33,480	26,224	32,379	27.7	3.4
Benefits Paid	\$9,353,252	\$7,270,166	\$8,980,807	28.7	4.1
A.W.B.A.	\$279.37	\$277.23	\$277.37	0.8	0.7
First Payments	1,883	1,376	1,670	36.8	12.8
Final Payments	913	712	1,134	28.2	-19.5
Beneficiaries	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

a: Includes joint claims with Unemployment Compensation for Federal Employees (UCFE) and/or Unemployment Compensation for Ex-Servicepersons (UCX).

b: Includes joint claims with Unemployment Compensation of Ex-Servicepersons (UCX).

c: No joint claims.

Average Weekly Benefit Amount (A.W.B.A)



Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work^a

(In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	District of Columbia			Metropolitan Division		
	Jan. b/ 2007	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006	Jan. b/ 2007	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006
TOTAL	683.9	696.7	675.4	2,385.5	2,427.2	2,343.2
Total Private Sector	453.4	464.0	443.6	1,836.2	1,872.4	1,803.1
Total Government	230.5	232.7	231.8	549.3	554.8	540.1
Total Goods Producing	14.0	14.4	13.7	187.4	191.5	187.3
Manufacturing	1.6	1.6	1.8	42.6	43.1	43.1
Durable Goods	na	na	na	26.1	26.3	25.8
Non-Durable Goods	na	na	na	16.5	16.8	17.3
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	12.4	12.8	11.9	144.8	148.4	144.2
Construction	na	na	na	143.8	147.4	143.3
Construction of Buildings	na	na	na	33.9	34.7	33.3
Heavy and Civil Engineering Construction	na	na	na	16.9	17.7	17.5
Specialty Trade Contractors	na	na	na	93.0	95.0	92.5
Total Service Providing	669.9	682.3	661.7	2,198.1	2,235.7	2,155.9
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	28.2	29.1	28.1	320.7	334.3	320.9
Wholesale Trade	4.8	4.8	4.7	53.8	54.2	53.9
Retail Trade	18.2	19.0	18.0	210.7	221.9	208.6
Motor Vehicle and Parts Dealers	na	na	na	24.4	24.7	25.1
Building Material and Garden Equipment and Supplies Dealers	na	na	na	16.0	17.0	16.0
Food & Beverage Stores	na	na	na	38.4	38.9	35.9
Clothing and Clothing Accessories Stores	na	na	na	25.5	28.3	24.3
Department Stores	na	na	na	24.9	26.9	26.0
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	5.2	5.3	5.4	56.2	58.2	58.4
Utilities	na	na	na	7.3	7.5	7.4
Transportation & Warehousing	na	na	na	48.9	50.7	51.0
Air Transportation	na	na	na	11.6	11.7	14.0
Information	22.5	22.8	22.0	81.0	82.0	80.4
Publishing Industries (except Internet)	8.9	8.8	8.5	na	na	na
Financial Activities	29.4	29.9	29.5	115.3	116.4	115.2
Finance and Insurance	18.3	18.6	18.5	75.2	75.8	74.3
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	8.9	9.0	8.3	44.1	44.5	42.7
Depository Credit Intermediation	na	na	na	19.3	19.3	18.5
Nondepository Credit Intermediation	na	na	na	19.4	19.6	19.2
Real Estate and Rental and Leasing	11.1	11.3	11.0	40.1	40.6	40.9



Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work^a

(In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	District of Columbia			Metropolitan Division		
	Jan. b/ 2007	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006	Jan. b/ 2007	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006
Professional and Business Services	153.9	156.0	147.4	542.0	548.6	523.6
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	102.5	104.5	100.4	363.6	366.2	352.9
Legal Services	35.8	36.3	34.5	47.8	48.5	47.2
Accounting, Tax Preparation, Bookkeeping, & Payroll Services	na	na	na	19.2	18.9	19.2
Architectural, Engineering, & Related Services	na	na	na	48.0	48.1	47.4
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	na	na	na	124.6	123.9	120.9
Management, Scientific, and Technical Consulting Services	na	na	na	64.1	64.6	59.5
Scientific Research and Development Services	15.0	15.4	14.9	na	na	na
Management of Companies and Enterprises	na	na	na	31.5	31.9	31.0
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	49.9	50.0	45.6	146.9	150.5	139.7
Employment Services	11.6	11.8	11.1	29.4	30.8	28.6
Investigation and Security Services	8.5	8.4	7.8	na	na	na
Services to Buildings and Dwellings	12.7	12.7	12.2	48.2	49.8	45.7
Educational and Health Services	93.6	97.6	92.6	250.0	252.8	242.6
Educational Services	41.9	44.7	41.9	75.2	77.5	73.2
Colleges, Universities, and Professional Schools	31.8	33.9	32.0	45.5	47.1	44.4
Health Care and Social Assistance	51.7	52.9	50.7	174.8	175.3	169.4
Ambulatory Health Care Services	10.6	10.8	10.2	61.0	61.4	58.6
Offices of Physicians	na	na	na	25.1	25.4	24.7
Outpatient Care Centers	na	na	na	8.0	8.0	7.5
Hospitals	24.2	24.9	23.4	55.5	55.1	53.8
Nursing and Residential Care Facilities	6.9	7.0	7.0	27.4	27.6	26.4
Social Assistance	na	na	na	30.9	31.2	30.6
Child Day Care Services	na	na	na	14.4	14.6	14.2
Leisure and Hospitality	52.1	53.8	51.7	195.2	201.2	191.3
Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation	5.6	5.8	5.4	24.1	25.6	22.6
Accommodation and Food Services	46.5	48.0	46.3	171.1	175.6	168.7
Accommodation	15.0	15.5	15.0	33.2	34.6	33.7
Food Services and Drinking Places	31.5	32.5	31.3	137.9	141.0	135.0
Full-Service Restaurants	16.4	16.9	16.4	71.2	73.0	71.2
Limited-Service Eating Places	9.5	9.7	9.4	53.1	54.7	52.3
Special Food Services	4.0	4.2	4.3	10.4	10.8	9.8
Other Services	59.7	60.4	58.6	144.6	145.6	141.8
Personal and Laundry Services	na	na	na	26.0	26.5	25.6
Religious, Grantmaking, Civic, Professional, & Similar Organizations	52.7	53.4	51.7	101.5	102.7	99.9
Business, Professional, Labor, Political, & Similar Organizations	26.2	26.5	26.0	42.1	42.9	41.9
Government	230.5	232.7	231.8	549.3	554.8	540.1
Federal Government	192.4	193.4	193.3	297.7	298.8	298.6
State Government & Local Government / Public Transportation	38.1	39.3	38.5	251.6	256.0	241.5
State Government	33.1	34.3	33.9	76.4	79.1	71.4
Local Government	na	na	na	175.2	176.9	170.1
Public Transportation	5.0	5.0	4.6	na	na	na

a: Data may not equal totals due to independent rounding. Data reflect 2006 benchmark revisions.

b: Preliminary.

Data includes all full and part-time employees who worked or received pay for any part of pay period which includes the 12th of the month. Proprietors, self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers are excluded.

The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division includes the District of Columbia; Calvert County, MD; Charles County, MD; Prince George's County, MD; Arlington County, VA; Clarke County, VA; Fairfax County, VA; Fauquier County, VA; Loudoun County, VA; Prince William County, VA; Spotsylvania County, VA; Stafford County, VA; Warren County, VA; Alexandria City, VA; Fairfax City, VA; Falls Church City, VA; Fredericksburg city, VA; Manassas City, VA; Manassas Park City, VA; and Jefferson County, WV

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Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area Job Growth

Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area decreased over the month in January 2007 by 54,400. The private sector decreased by 47,100 jobs and the public sector lost 7,300 jobs. Within the private sector, losses were registered in trade, transportation, and utilities (down by 18,300 jobs), professional and business services (down by 8,500 jobs), leisure and hospitality (down by 7,200 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (down by 5,000 jobs), educational and health services (down by 3,100 jobs), other services (down by 1,600 jobs), financial activities (down by 1,500 jobs), information (down by 1,100 jobs), and manufacturing (down by 1,100 jobs). In the public sector, the federal government lost 1,300 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Statistical Area gained 49,800 jobs. The private sector gained 39,200 jobs and the public sector added 10,600 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 21,800

jobs), educational and health services (up by 9,900 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 5,800 jobs), other services (up by 2,800 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (up by 1,600 jobs), and financial activities (up by 800 jobs). Private sector losses were noted in trade, transportation, and utilities (down by 2,100 jobs), manufacturing

(down by 1,100 jobs), and information (down by 300 jobs). In government, the federal government lost 400 jobs.

Net Job Change

In Thousands of Jobs
Not Seasonally Adjusted
January 2006 - January 2007



Washington Metropolitan Division Job Growth

Total wage and salary employment in the Washington Metropolitan Division decreased over the month in January 2007 by 41,700. The private sector decreased by 36,200 jobs and the public sector lost 5,500 jobs. Within the private sector, losses were registered in trade, transportation, and utilities (down by 13,600 jobs), professional and business services (down by 6,600 jobs), leisure and hospitality (down by 6,000 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction (down by 3,600 jobs), educational and health services (down by 2,800 jobs), financial activities

(down by 1,100 jobs), information and other services (down by 1,000 jobs each), and manufacturing (down by 500 jobs). In the public sector, state government lost 2,700 jobs; local government shed 1,700 jobs; and the federal government lost 1,100 jobs.

During the past twelve months, the Washington Metropolitan Division gained 42,300 jobs. The private sector gained 33,100 jobs and the public sector added 9,200 jobs. Private sector gains were registered in professional and business services (up by 18,400

jobs), educational and health services (up by 7,400 jobs), leisure and hospitality (up by 3,900 jobs), other services (up by 2,800 jobs), natural resources, mining and construction and information (up by 600 jobs each), and financial activities (up by 100 jobs). Losses were noted in manufacturing (down by 500 jobs) and trade, transportation, and utilities (down by 200 jobs). In government, local government gained 5,100 jobs and state government added 5,000 jobs while the federal government lost 900 jobs.

Washington D.C. Metropolitan Statistical Area

Wage and Salary Employment by Industry and Place of Work^a

(In Thousands)

INDUSTRY	Net Change From				
	Jan. b/ 2007	Dec. c/ 2006	Jan. 2006	Dec. 2006	Jan. 2006
TOTAL	2958.3	3012.7	2908.5	-54.4	49.8
Total Private Sector	2314.9	2362.0	2275.7	-47.1	39.2
Total Government	643.4	650.7	632.8	-7.3	10.6
Total Goods Producing	249.3	255.1	248.8	-5.8	0.5
Manufacturing	62.3	63.1	63.4	-0.8	-1.1
Natural Resources, Mining & Construction	187.0	192.0	185.4	-5.0	1.6
Specialty Trade Contractors	118.6	120.9	117.0	-2.3	1.6
Total Service Providing	2709.0	2757.6	2659.7	-48.6	49.3
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	403.2	421.5	405.3	-18.3	-2.1
Wholesale Trade	69.5	69.9	69.4	-0.4	0.1
Retail Trade	270.0	285.9	270.5	-15.9	-0.5
Food & Beverage Stores	51.3	52.0	48.2	-0.7	3.1
Department Stores	32.5	35.0	34.1	-2.5	-1.6
Transportation, Warehousing & Utilities	63.7	65.7	65.4	-2.0	-1.7
Information	98.0	99.1	98.3	-1.1	-0.3
Financial Activities	160.1	161.6	159.3	-1.5	0.8
Finance and Insurance	105.9	106.4	104.4	-0.5	1.5
Credit Intermediation and Related Activities	59.0	59.3	56.9	-0.3	2.1
Professional and Business Services	667.3	675.8	645.5	-8.5	21.8
Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services	441.0	443.5	428.5	-2.5	12.5
Computer Systems Design and Related Services	145.8	145.1	141.3	0.7	4.5
Administrative & Support & Waste Management & Remediation Services	186.9	192.7	178.6	-5.8	8.3
Employment Services	42.9	45.1	41.0	-2.2	1.9
Educational and Health Services	321.4	324.5	311.5	-3.1	9.9
Health Care and Social Assistance	235.1	235.8	227.4	-0.7	7.7
Ambulatory Health Care Services	86.0	86.5	82.9	-0.5	3.1
Offices of Physicians	35.4	35.8	34.9	-0.4	0.5
Hospitals	68.0	67.6	65.9	0.4	2.1
Leisure and Hospitality	240.6	247.8	234.8	-7.2	5.8
Accommodation and Food Services	209.5	214.7	205.1	-5.2	4.4
Food Services and Drinking Places	172.0	175.9	167.3	-3.9	4.7
Other Services	175.0	176.6	172.2	-1.6	2.8
Government	643.4	650.7	632.8	-7.3	10.6
Federal Government	341.2	342.5	341.6	-1.3	-0.4

a: Data may not equal totals due to independent rounding. Data reflect 2005 benchmark revisions.

b: Preliminary.

c: Revised.

Data includes all full and part-time employees who worked or received pay for any part of pay period which includes the 12th of the month.

Proprietors, self-employed, unpaid family workers, and private household workers are excluded.

The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area includes The Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Division and the Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, MD Metropolitan Division

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The Bethesda-Frederick-Gaithersburg, MD Metropolitan Division includes the counties of Frederick and Montgomery in Maryland

SOURCE: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Table prepared by the Department of Employment Services Office of Labor Market Research and Information.

D.C. Metro Area Average Hours and Earnings (of production workers in manufacturing)

In January 2007, average weekly earnings of manufacturing production workers in the Washington metropolitan division decreased by five cents over the month to \$681.07. A decrease in average weekly hours was responsible for the drop. Average weekly hours fell 0.2 hour to 38.5 while average hourly earnings were up nine cents to \$17.69.

From January 2006 to January 2007, average weekly earnings increased by \$21.62. This increase was due to a ninety-one cent rise in hourly earnings. Over the year, average weekly hours declined by 0.8 hour.

Metro Hours and Earnings Of Production Workers in Manufacturing January 2006 - January 2007

	Jan. '07 ^p	Dec. '06 ^r	Jan. '06 ^a
Weekly Earnings	\$681.07	\$681.12	\$659.45
Weekly Hours	38.5	38.7	39.3
Hourly Earnings	\$17.69	\$17.60	\$16.78

p = Preliminary
r = Revised
a = Reflecting 2006 benchmark revisions

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